

NO OPPOSITION IN MANY DISTRICTS

Majority of Virginia Delegation in House Will Be Returned Without Fight.

DEADLOCK ON PATRONAGE

Burleson and Two Senators Cannot Agree on Postmasters in Ninth.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, April 11.—Unless something new is brought out by the House of Representatives for the next session from March 4, 1915, to March 4, 1917, by the same ten Congressmen now doing service, already three of the ten—Congressmen Henry D. Flood, of the Tenth District; James H. Clay, of the Seventh District; and Charles C. Carlin, of the Eighth District—are assured of being returned. The last day for entrance of candidates to succeed these three was to-day (Saturday, April 11), and no person having signified his intention to contest the election, they will be returned to Congress for another term of two years without the necessity of holding a district primary.

The last day for contesting candidates in Congressmen Andrew Jackson Montague District, the Third, is April 11. Although there have been rumors that Louis O. Wendenburg would run, no one has yet positively declared his intention of making the race.

In Congressman Walter Watson's district, the Fourth, the last day is April 11, and the judge has no opposition.

April 11 is the last entrance day in the Sixth, Second and First Districts, represented respectively by Congressmen Glass, Holland and Jones. Neither of the trio is likely to have any contest. Several men were speaking of running against Mr. Holland, but one by one they dropped out, and he now seems to have the field to himself.

The two other congressional districts, the Fifth and Ninth, represented by Congressmen Saunders and

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Slump, still have the old-time district convention, and it is in these districts that the only doubt remains as to whether they will be sent back, although the chances are greatly in favor of their doing so.

In the Ninth District the tentative date for the convention to be held at Bristol is July 11, but Congressman Slump recently wrote home suggesting that the middle of August was carrying enough weight to make it probable that the convention will be held at a date more than even that the Ninth District Republicans will insist so strenuously upon his running that he will make the race against it. Tate Irvine, of Big Stone Gap, the Democratic nominee.

In the Fifth District, represented by Congressman Edward W. Saunders, the committee has not had a meeting to name a date for the convention. Up to the present time no one has announced his candidacy to who will be the challenger to Mr. Saunders, and if any one should, the belief in Washington is that Saunders will come out of the convention easily victorious.

Deadlock on Patronage.

The deadlock which has existed for over a year between Postmaster-General Burleson and Senators Martin and Swanson over the appointment of presidential postmasters in the Ninth Congressional District will probably have the effect of keeping Postmaster Charles F. Gauthier in office at least several more months.

The Bristol office is now in the same fix as about a dozen other presidential post-offices in the Ninth District, where the term of the postmaster has expired, and no steps are being taken to have a Democrat succeed him. Bristol was recently advanced to the presidential class, and the postmaster, General Burleson, decided to appoint a successor. He named a successor, a successor to Gauthier may be named at any moment.

Congressmen Glass and Slump are taking no part in naming postmasters for the Ninth. The only instance where Mr. Glass has had anything to do with the Ninth District was when some Democrats in that district asked him to present papers to the department held in half of some candidate there. In no instance has he taken the initiative on his own behalf.

Martin and Swanson refuse to recommend any man for appointment as postmaster in the Ninth until Postmaster-General Burleson declares without equivocation that their recommendations will be followed. Burleson has written to the Senators advising them that their wishes regarding the Bristol office will be given consideration. But the Senators do not consider this as going far enough, and to prevent any embarrassment by having their recommendations overruled, they will not make them until assured that they will be followed.

That the Senators intend to go to extremes in maintaining their position in this matter is shown in the nomination of A. Buchanan at Tidewater, whose nomination has been held up about six months. The Senators take the position that they recommended the appointment of J. B. Bover and intend that he shall be appointed. The qualifications of Buchanan, they insist, do not enter the situation as far as they are concerned.

May Make Irvine Referee.

Face to face with a critical situation, Postmaster-General Burleson may make the referee by allowing Tate Irvine, the Democratic congressional nominee from the Ninth District, to act as referee on dividing the Ninth District patronage. Should Burleson take this step, he will be forced to resign from an embarrassing situation, and his decision will greatly please the Senators and the majority of the Ninth District Democrats, who are weary of seeing Republicans still holding on to the good offices under Democratic administration.

At present Burleson can nominate postmasters, but cannot appoint them unless they are recommended by the Senators, because the Senators will not let them be confirmed.

The Senators cannot appoint postmasters because Burleson will not accept their recommendations without question, and therefore they will not make them. Hence great joy for the Republicans.

To allow Irvine to name the Ninth District postmasters would be nothing more than the Post-Office Department has done in several other cases, and for which there are hundreds of precedents. Irvine is close to Senators Martin and Swanson, and he would undoubtedly recommend postmasters whom the Senators wanted.

It is generally admitted that Irvine made a bad move at the Bristol convention, when he openly declared that he would take no hand in patronage matters until after he was elected. Yet Irvine can change his mind, as many who men do, and if Burleson accepts him as referee, he can divide the Ninth District patronage and relieve a very critical situation.

Before the Bristol convention Irvine talked with President Wilson and Postmaster-General Burleson in regard to handling the patronage for his district in the event he was nominated, but received little satisfaction. At that time he urged that the Senators be allowed to appoint Rufus Ayers, of the Ninth District, as a postmaster, and name the postmasters. But nothing has appeared on the surface since as a result of these conferences.

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CLUB IN ROME FOR PRELATES OF U. S.

Inconvenience Which Will Confront American Delegation This Year to Be Overcome.

BY CAMILLO CIANFARRA.

Rome, April 11.—The Rev. John Debrucher, a nephew of a former parish priest of New Britain, Conn., left for America this week, charged with an important mission by Pope Pius and the Vatican.

If the mission is successful, it means the establishment in Rome of another American institution. According to what recently took place in high Catholic circles, the attention of the Pope has been again drawn to the fact that American prelates visiting the Eternal City are without proper accommodation and headquarters such as the prelates of all other nationalities have here.

This fact first attracted the notice of His Holiness in 1911, when the two new American cardinals—Farley, of New York, and O'Connell, of Boston—were summoned here to receive the red hat, and were compelled to make their headquarters in different hotels frequented by the Black Aristocracy, patronized by the clerical element.

This year has been designated by the Vatican for a general visit of American prelates to see the Pontiff personally, and the lack of proper accommodation for these prelates is more apparent than ever. Since the year began, fifteen heads of prominent North American dioceses have visited Rome officially, and before the end of the year more than sixty other American cardinals, archbishops and bishops are expected here, accompanied by large delegations of priests from their respective dioceses. Among these will be Cardinal Gibbons, of Baltimore, and the other two American cardinals I have mentioned. Owing to his advanced age, Cardinal Gibbons has not visited Rome since the conclave in 1903.

All will be obliged to stay at hotels this year, and Father Debrucher's mission to Rome is to study the situation which will be both a club and a religious retreat, as well as a temporary home for American prelates visiting Rome.

A plan was submitted to the Vatican authorities some time ago with a view of enlarging the American College at Rome. This purpose proved to be impracticable, owing to the prohibitive prices demanded by the proprietors of the surrounding buildings. Another plan later suggested that an institution run by the Vatican authorities who are backing Father Debrucher's project, who have been given support of His Holiness, want it to be clearly understood that the chief scope of such an institution is to provide comfortable quarters at much lower terms than the best hotels, but at the same time to not restrict the freedom of choice of the distinguished visitors.

Arrangements are being made at the Vatican to accord Cardinal Gibbons a right royal reception when he arrives here. Many reasons combine to account for this attention. The Italian Father has not seen him since the day of the election, when the new Pope embraced him in the presence of the entire sacred college in conclave in the chapel, whence the Baltimore cardinal emerged with the sovereignty of Pontiff again in arm.

Moreover, it is known that as dean of the American cardinals, Cardinal Gibbons will always be regarded by the Vatican state chancery as the man whose counsel in American church affairs is the most reliable.

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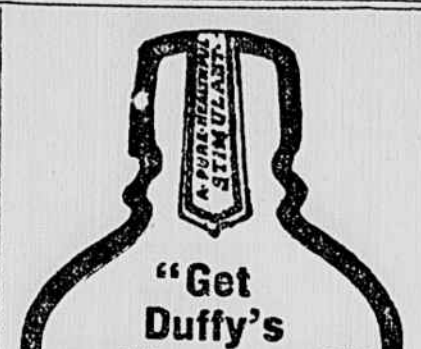
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on the lines of an exclusive club would cost less. Consequently Father Debrucher's proposal to interview personally a number of prominent Catholics in New York, Boston, Chicago, San Francisco and other large cities with a view to raising the necessary funds was fully approved by the Vatican authorities.

It is argued here that the number of American clerics visiting Rome is sufficient to support the institution and pay all running expenses, once the fund for a suitable building is provided. It is further argued that the only best hotels, but at the same time to not restrict the freedom of choice of the distinguished visitors.

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OFFER OF \$1,000 FOR INFORMATION

Detective Burns Seeks to Prove Truth or Falsity of Charge Against Frank.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Atlanta, April 11.—A reward of \$1,000 is being offered by Detective William J. Burns for satisfactory information in connection with reports Leo M. Frank is a moral pervert. This offer he made to-day in a letter to the Atlanta newspapers.

Burns, who left the city to-night, said before his departure that he had made public his wish to receive any information to the effect that Frank was actually immoral, but that, thus far, he had received no such data in his investigation.

Burns did not make public his desire of this trip, but it was said he will return at an early day.

The following is the letter from Burns:

"In making my investigation of the Frank case, it is of the highest importance that I get the truth of the report concerning acts of sexual perversion and immorality on the part of Leo M. Frank.

"If persons having information in any way on the matter would communicate with me at once. Having received no response at all from any one, and having obtained no information in this way, I am compelled, on account of the extreme importance of the matter, to make this statement:

"That I will pay \$1,000 to any person or persons who will furnish me any definite and satisfactory information on the above lines.

"You will understand that I am very anxious to give this offer all the publicity possible, and I will appreciate it very highly if you will publish this offer for me.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) "WILLIAM J. BURNS"

MAN SHOT DOWN BY CLOSE FRIEND

Assailant Then Runs Across State Line Into Tennessee and Escapes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Bristol, Va., April 11.—D. Smith, thirty-seven years old and a winter, was shot down on the principal street here to-night by William Jones, who had been his close friend and companion. These shots were fired in the midst of a crowd, which was shot through the making the escape. The police began a search. The cause of the shooting is unexplained.

ANOTHER CRISIS SAFELY PASSED IN MEXICAN BROIL

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and Maas have united and proceeded to attack the rebels besieged at Torreon, thus carrying out the strategic plan initiated by Velasco.

Imprisonment Is Expected.

El Paso, Tex., April 11.—Much improvement in the foreign relations of the Constitutional provisional government of Northern Mexico, it is predicted, will result from the meeting promised at Chihuahua next week between General Venustiano Carranza and General Francisco Villa.

Representations of the most vigorous nature have been pouring in on General Carranza at Juarez from Washington since the expulsion of the Spaniards from Torreon, Carranza, it is said, has made no direct replies to several of these representations, and to-day it was said that the State Department desisted that definite written replies be returned. The question involved deals with the expulsion of Spaniards, the confiscation of property and the right of the United States to deal directly with Carranza in behalf of other nations.

Many among Carranza's advisers expressed the opinion to-day that General Villa, acting Foreign Minister, was ill-advised in issuing a public statement yesterday quoting Carranza as exulting over the visit of H. C. British consul at El Paso, and pointing out that similar actions of other governments would greatly improve foreign relations. The statement pointed to the visit as a triumph for Carranza's policy, announced at Nogales a month or more ago that he would insist on each foreign government making its own representations to him, rather than through the State Department at Washington.

This policy later was modified to suit the wishes of Washington, but the Villa statement was interpreted as indicating the resumption of a stiffer attitude toward Carranza.

Call It Exaggeration.

Consul Myles's visit, it was said, assured the security of British mining property in Northeastern Mexico. Some Carranza's advisers who visited El Paso to-day declared the statement transmitted was an exaggeration of Carranza's real attitude.

Carranza has been handicapped recently in dealing with both foreign and domestic matters by the disordered condition at Torreon since the natural result of two weeks of severe fighting, the supervision of the organization of civil governments in southern cities and the capture and the fact that his knowledge of affairs in the south must come by telegraphic correspondence.

A heart to heart talk between himself and Villa, therefore, it is said, is looked on with high hope by other leaders. The two have not met since the Madero revolution, and since that time Villa has risen from the crude leader of a small band to the commander of an army.

After the interview it is predicted that Carranza will be able to render to Washington assurances satisfactory to both sides.

General Carranza, his staff and the personnel of executive offices left Torreon to-day for Chihuahua. On Monday George C. Carothers, special agent of the State Department, will follow him and will continue to Torreon if Carranza removes his capital to the scene of the recent battle.

Knowledge of the military situation east of Torreon remained vague to-day. The Federal evacuation east of San Pedro was confirmed, and General

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE.

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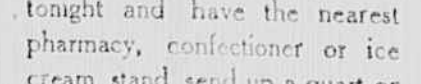
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